IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA

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COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

STANDING ORDER 2020-04

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STANDING ORDER REGARDING PROBATION VIRTUAL CONTACTS DURING NATIONAL EMERGENCY

In light of the National Emergency declared due to the Covid-19 pandemic, it is necessary to authorize the United States Probation officers in this district to monitor persons under their supervision using virtual contacts. Some of these persons have supervision conditions that require compliance with Level 1 or 2 restrictions of the Middle District of Georgia's Technology Access Program ("TAP"). These restrictions prohibit internet access. Given that internet access is necessary for virtual contacts, the Court orders the following temporary modification to those restrictions as follows:

To the extent approved by a Probation officer for this district, each person under supervision who has TAP level 1 or 2 conditions is authorized to use a third party's internet capable device approved by the U.S. Probation Office only to communicate virtually with the Probation officer. The third party must be present during the contact. All other TAP conditions remain in place.

This modification shall remain in effect as long as this Court's previous Standing Order No. 2020-03 remains in effect, unless it is terminated sooner by the Court. Once terminated,

the terms of supervision will return to those originally imposed by the judges of this district.

IT IS SO ORDERED, this 7th day of April, 2020.

s/Clay D. Land

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CHIEF U.S. DISTRICT COURT JUDGE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA